



City College News

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Talks continue in faculty strike

George Brown faculty formed picket lines around the College's campuses on Oct. 17 following a breakdown in negotiations for a new contract.

At the time of publication, subsequent meetings between negotiating teams representing the teachers' Ontario Public Service Employees Union (OPSEU) and the Council of Regents had failed to resolve the dispute.

The strike by 7,500 teachers from across Ontario forced the cancellation of many classes at the province's 22 community colleges.

At George Brown, more than 10,000 students enrolled in full-time post-secondary, apprenticeship and Canada Employment and Immigration Commission-sponsored programs were without teachers.

About 60 per cent of the College's part-time and evening courses were also cancelled.

The strike, which is the first ever by community college teachers in Ontario, was prompted on Oct. 16 when mediation sessions failed to resolve differences between the two sides on teachers' workload and were called off by Mediator Graham McKechnie.

The sessions were called by McKechnie after faculty from across Ontario on Oct. 2 voted 78 per cent in favour of a strike.

At George Brown, 81 per cent of the members of the OPSEU Local 556 who cast ballots favoured a strike. About 86 per cent of the local's total membership of 600 voted on the issue.

Faculty have been working without a contract since the last one expired at the end of August.

Negotiations between the two sides in August led to an initial offer from the Council of Regents, the group that represents colleges in collective bargaining. The offer, rejected by 95 per cent of voting faculty on Sept. 18, included a clause that would have eliminated contract references to maximum weekly teaching hours and maximum student contact days per year.

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Photo: Albert Li

Walter Woloshyn was project manager for construction of Toronto's new \$120 million Convention Centre.

Grad managed Centre construction

There is a certain sadness in Walter Woloshyn's voice as he looks from his office on Simcoe Street to the new Toronto Convention Centre on Front Street.

"These have been the fastest three years of my life," he says.

Woloshyn has a right to be wistful. As project manager for the Convention Centre, he has devoted the last 36 months to its construction.

His job started in 1981, almost a year before work started on the site. Working with architects, and a team of fellow planners from contractor Ellis-Don, Woloshyn helped direct construction so the buildings would be completed on time and within budget.

The \$120 million Centre is the largest and most time consuming project so far in Woloshyn's career — a career that started in 1966 with a diploma in Construction Management from Toronto's Provincial Institute of Trades, forerunner of George Brown College.

Looking back on his 18 years in construction, Woloshyn skips over the many

simple industrial buildings he has worked on and picks out a few favourite projects: an office complex in Hull, Quebec; the Terminal 2 extension at Toronto International Airport; and a flight simulator building in Saudi Arabia.

But even these large, technically demanding projects can't match the Convention Centre's public profile.

"This is the kind of job where there is a certain amount of prestige," he says. "There is a lot of peer judgment here."

Both the prestige and judgment are understandable. The new Centre — the largest of its kind in Canada — is a key development in the southwest area of the downtown core.

While government officials — the project is financed by municipal, provincial and federal governments — see the Centre as an important development in Toronto's economic development, Woloshyn looks at it in a more personal way.

"We had a lot of fun doing it," he says.



Photo: Pauline Johnson

Business Advisory Committee member Victor Deyglio and Ceramics Instructor Sarah Weber admire student work on display at the Advisory Committee Dinner at the Harbour Castle Hilton on Oct. 15. About 600 committee members and College staff attended the dinner where they were entertained by student dancers, actors and singers, and a new College recruitment film was previewed. Deyglio is General Manager of the Canadian Institute of Traffic and Transportation.

Study examines where the jobs are

Four Metro Toronto community colleges are co-operating in a project that will tell them where jobs for graduates are now, and where they may be in the future.

About 1,200 employers in Metro were surveyed during the summer as part of the project to find out what kind of job openings they will have in the next year, and what new forms of technology they will be incorporating in their businesses.

This is the first time Metro-area colleges have made such a detailed survey of the labour market, including in it companies with less than 10 employees — a major source of jobs for graduates.

George Brown Research Economist Theresa Karolewski, who is working with representatives of Humber, Seneca and Centennial Colleges, said survey results could be useful in planning by the colleges, provincial government, local Industrial Training Committees, and

consultants with the Training in Business and Industry (TIBI) program.

Results of the survey will be available later this fall, she said.

Orr an 'organizer'

Colleagues remember Casa Loma Building Maintenance Group Leader Jim Orr as a conscientious manager who had a flare for organization.

"He was a terrific organizer," said Facility Operations Manager Jim Graham. "He couldn't do enough to help staff and students."

Orr died recently at 43.

He had joined George Brown early in 1975 as a maintenance millwright, and was one of the original mechanical crew for the opening of the St. James Campus.

In 1979 he was promoted to Group Leader at Casa Loma where he supervised a crew of 12 people.

Mooradian fund collects \$4,500

A committee will decide this fall how to give out the money accumulating in a scholarship fund set up in the memory of late Electrical Department Chairman Harry Mooradian.

In the last year, about \$4,500 has been donated to the fund by College staff, friends, family, unions and electrical contractors, says Ray Davis, Co-ordinator of Industrial Electronics in the Electro-Mechanical Division.

Davis will meet with representatives of Mooradian's family, the Electrical Apprenticeship Council and industry to come up with criteria for scholarships from the fund.

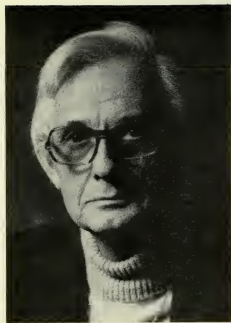
It is likely that annual interest from the fund will be given to one or more outstanding students in the Electrical Department, Davis said.

Mooradian, who died in October, 1983, had worked for the College for 23 years.

Events

- Nov. 15 The Pro Arte Orchestra conducted by Victor DiBello will perform classical selections in the Atrium of the St. James Campus, 200 King St. E. at noon.
- Nov. 16 The Business Division will host a professional development day for teachers of the Toronto Board of Education.
- Dec. 3-14 George Brown School of Dance students will perform excerpts from the ballet *Cinderella* for downtown schoolchildren on weekday afternoons at the St. James Campus, 200 King St. E. Sponsored by the Inner City Angels.
- Dec. 12 Students in the Fashion Division will present their work in a fashion show at the Kensington Campus, 21 Nassau St. For information call 967-1212, ext. 4303.
- Dec. - Graphic Design students have a Christmas display at the Art Gallery of Ontario, 317 Dundas St. W., until January, 1985.

If your Division, department or group is holding an event of interest to the College community, call the public relations office at exts. 3240, or 3243 and it can be included in this column. See the box on the back page for deadlines.



Part-time Hospitality instructor Willy Brand (left) was Logistics Manager for the team of Canadian chefs named World Champions at the Culinary Olympics in Frankfurt. Chef Training Co-ordinator Bob Mead (right) won an individual gold medal and was one of five Toronto chefs who took top honours in the regional team competition.

Chef instructors win Olympic gold

Two George Brown hospitality instructors recently helped prove that Canada has the best chefs in the world.

Bob Mead and Willy Brand were members of cooking teams that took top international honours at the 1984 Culinary Olympics held Oct. 12-19 in Frankfurt, West Germany.

Mead won an individual Gold Medal for his work as a member of a team of five chefs from the Toronto Escoffier Society. Beyond individual awards, the team also won the coveted Gold Award and Trophy of Distinction in the competition between regional teams.

Brand was Logistics Manager for the Canadian team that came in first in the national competition category — the first team ever to be named World Champions in the 100-year-old cooking competition.

Former Chef Training Co-ordinator and lecturer in culinary history at the College, Brand was in charge of equipping the team with tons of foodstuffs it needed to prepare its entries — including enough to feed full meals to 200 people.

Those hot meals, mouseline of northern pike and stuffed duck, earned the team about half the points they needed to win. The rest of their entries consisted of restaurant platters that were cooked hot, preserved in aspic, displayed cold, and judged on appearance rather than taste.

Just as hard as filling the team's exacting shopping list was assembling the food and flying it to Frankfurt, Brand says.

Strict German Customs Agents have been one of the biggest hurdles in the past, says the veteran of three Olympic teams. They were non-plussed in 1972 when the Canadian team included beefalo, a cross of beef cattle and buffalo, on their menu. And their list of permitted imports was no help. "It's not on their list," says Brand.

This is the first time Canadians have come out on top. After scoring low in their first venture to Frankfurt in 1968, the national team came third in 1972, second in 1976, and third in 1980.

Cooking at the competition, where hundreds of chefs from around the world vie for spare kitchen space, is a gruelling marathon, says current George Brown Chef Training Co-ordinator Bob Mead.

The five cooks on the Toronto team worked around the clock for days to prepare their prize-winning entries. "You just work, eat and drink," says Mead.

The long hours took their toll in the team's kitchen early in the morning of the day the dishes would be displayed. Words were exchanged when some dishes were flawed and had to be scrapped. "Tempers got a little bit frayed," he says.

Later that day when the results were announced the difficulties in the wee hours were overshadowed. Not only had each member of the team won gold medals for their work, but the team as a whole was given a Gold Medal and Trophy of Distinction.

New mainframe is for teaching computer design

George Brown recently beefed up its computer aided design/computer aided manufacturing (CAD/CAM) Centre with the purchase of a mainframe computer and special CAD/CAM equipment.

The new integrated computer-aided engineering and manufacturing system gives George Brown the largest CAD/CAM training facilities of any community college in Ontario, according to CAD/CAM Chairman Richard Smith.

It also allows the Centre to train students in the specialized computer design areas of electronic schematics and civil engineering, he says.

At the heart of the new system, bought from Control Data, is a Canadian-made CYBER computer.

"It's a mainframe capable of supporting 24 graphic work stations and 40 other terminals," says Smith. "It's a computer for technology, not just for CAD/CAM."

Until this fall, the Centre had been using time on the College's Honeywell mainframe.

The new system, which Control Data values at \$1 million, will serve the College's needs for at least the next five years, and puts George Brown at least a year ahead of most industries in the sophistication of its CAD/CAM equipment, Smith says.

"That's where we should be. We are always trying to look at what graduates will be encountering two years down the road."

The Centre, at the Casa Loma Campus on Kendal Avenue, is used by students in a number of mechanical and electrical trade programs at the College, including a specialized program in CAD drafting.

Faculty strike

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That clause, which OPSEU negotiators said was unacceptable, was eliminated from a second Regents' offer presented directly to OPSEU membership in late September.

OPSEU spokesperson Katie FitzRandolph says the union wants the Colleges to accept work related to classroom teaching, such as preparation, evaluation and student contact, as part of a teacher's workload.

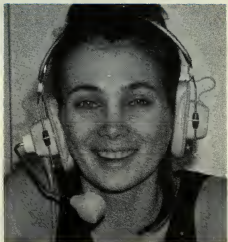
Names in the News

If you want some scuttlebutt on the **Aga Khan**, **Margaret Thatcher** or the **Princess of Holland**, don't ask **Ellen deBoer**. Although deBoer served these people, and many other heads of state and notables, during the two-and-a-half-years she spent as Steward to the Lieutenant-Governor, she's sworn to silence about them. As Steward, deBoer helped organize social events at Queen's Park for the **Hon. John Black Aird** that had guest lists that varied in size from two to 2,000. Now she's Special Events Co-ordinator and Public Relations Officer for the Hospitality Division, in charge of organizing seminars, banquets and culinary competitions. She's no stranger to Kensington Campus though, having graduated from the Food and Beverage Management program in 1980.

Heading the George Brown office of the new provincially-sponsored Youth Start program is former employment counselor and trainer **Sally Nichols**. Nichols represented the College in helping workers laid off at Silverwood Dairy and Canada Packers. The 42-week Youth Start program, which will probably start in January, 1985, is designed for hard-core unemployed young people and combines classroom instruction with on-the-job training.

Angela Leigh first met **Lois Smith**, Artistic Director of the George Brown School of Dance, in 1951 when both were dancing with the newly-formed National Ballet Company. This fall, when Leigh started teaching at George Brown, the two were united again. Leigh danced with the National for 15 years, and then combined guest teaching at various schools with a career as a fabric artist. "Now I'm starting to put my first love back together," she says.

Payroll and Benefits Manager **Dudley Campbell** recently acted as moderator for a public discussion on multiculturalism sponsored by the West Indian Social and Cultural Society. The Black community needs to adopt a more positive view of itself, Campbell told the gathering. Outside of his College duties, Campbell is active in the community and is currently President of the Toronto Bathurst Lions Club.



*After a course with Berlitz and investigation of the University of Toronto's program, Quebec actress Marie Aline Joyal decided to perfect her English at George Brown. She's preparing for an English-speaking role in a film directed by Gilles Carle that will be shot this winter and released in December, 1985. "It's a new Wizard of Oz," Joyal says of the Christmas movie. The 25-year-old actress has had parts in several Quebec films and series, and is now looking south of the border with her new facility in English. But don't look for Joyal's name in the credits, her stage name is **Chloe St. Marie**.*

Staff Development Officer **Pat Stanojevic** has temporarily left her St. James office and our temperate climes for the sunny shores of Jamaica where she will help set up a staff development program at the College of Arts, Science and Technology in Kingston. While Stanojevic is off on her year-long special assignment, her place will be taken by dental instructor **Yvette Jones**. Other department news: Secretary **Olive Masters** is now a part-time student in the Community Worker program at Nightingale Campus, and Staff Development Officer **Karen O'Kain** has been awarded a Ph.D. in Higher Education Administration from Michigan State University.

Three women have been promoted in the Industrial Training Division on Adelaide Street. **Jill Chalmers** has moved up from her position as a consultant with the Training in Business and Industry (TIBI) program to become Assistant Manager of George Brown's office of the Ontario Career Action Program (OCAP). Join-

ing TIBI staff as consultants are OCAP Counsellor **Marla Nudler** and Continuing Education Co-ordinator **Irene Adler**.

The Personnel Office has told us of the following staff changes: New faculty members in the Hospitality Division are **Alfredo Abes** (a 1976 graduate of the Hotel Administration program), **Douglas Cliff**, **Ronald Reid** and **Edward Wright**. Joining Mathematics and Science as teachers are **Helen Colman** and **Katherine Downey**. **Anne Fleming-Read**, **Walter Mitchell**, **Luigi Tarsitano**, and **Donald Williams** have joined faculty in the Architectural Technology Division, while **Barry Hall**, **Marlys Kosmalksi**, **David Preston**, and **Shelley Propas** are new teachers in Health Sciences and Community Services. **June Handera** and **Gilles Morin** are new to the faculty of the Graphic Arts Division at St. James, and **Kathryn Kearney** and **Patricia Matthews** are new teachers in English and Liberal Studies. **John Urquhart** is a new teacher in the Business Division and **Robert Schultz** is with the Electro-Mechanical Division.

New support staff appointments include: **James Barron** in the Printing Department; **Suzanne Feltoe** in Community Services; **William Rykaszewski** in the caretaking department at St. James; and **Juliana Tam** with the Architectural Technology Division.

Eliyadura De Zoysa has transferred from a support position with the Computer department to one in its administration.

Joan McKay is now **Joan McKay-Weakley** of the Health Sciences Division, Nightingale instructor **Virginia MacGillivray** is now **Virginia Pollock**, and **Martine Talbert** of the Registrar's office is now **Martine Talbert-Burnett**.

Leaving the College are **Mary Anderson**, **Rex Plant**, **Sabet Mostafa** and **Josephine Tassone**.

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